

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1058  
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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Sean Philip Toomey,  
2004 Valedictorian of Gatlinburg-Pittman High  
School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Sean Toomey is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2004 graduating class at Gatlinburg-Pittman High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. Toomey has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Mr. Toomey has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average and has been chosen as a National Merit Scholar; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Toomey has earned numerous accolades for his outstanding academic success including the International Foreign Language Award, Certificate of Honorable Merit for Outstanding Performance, Business Law Certificate of Award for Highest Grade Point Average, National Leadership and Service Award, Perfect Attendance Award, All American Scholar Award, and the National Commemorative Certificate; in addition, he was selected for the Gold Honor Roll, the *Who's Who Among American High School Students*, the Junior Classical League, and the United States Achievement Academy, and participation in the National Latin Exam; and

WHEREAS, excelling in athletics as well as in the classroom, Mr. Toomey has played an integral part on the Freshman Basketball team, the Varsity Boys Baseball team, the Tennis team, and the Football team, which won two Regional Championships; and

WHEREAS, an active and important part of his school, Mr. Toomey has held membership in the National Beta Club and Key Club in addition to participating in school fundraising events for Toys for Tots and the Gatlinburg-Pittman High School Alzheimer's fund and the annual food drive; and

WHEREAS, a devout Christian, Mr. Toomey is a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, where he is a member of C.C.D. class and has participated in food drives, Christmas decorating, and the Lenten Soup Supper; and

WHEREAS, possessing a strong work ethic, Mr. Toomey has been employed with Fort Fun in Gatlinburg working weekends and on breaks since May 2001; before his tenure at Fort Fun, Mr. Toomey worked for his parents for three years; and

WHEREAS, knowing the value of higher education, Mr. Toomey plans to continue his scholastic endeavors at Vanderbilt University; and

WHEREAS, the intellectual aptitude and ambition that Mr. Toomey displays surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Toomey's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, William and Carmine Toomey, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Toomey's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor 2004 Gatlinburg-Pittman High School Valedictorian, Sean Philip Toomey, on his impressive academic achievement, and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.